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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: UNSC, PORG, SF
SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA ARMS EMBARGO WATCHDOG COMMITTEE

1. SC PRESIDENT TROYANOVSKY HAS CALLED FOR INFORMAL CON-
SULTATIONS WITH WESTERN FIVE PERMREPS 11:15 FEB 27 TO
DISCUSS THE ELECTION OF THE BUREAU OF THE ARMS EMBARGO
WATCHDOG COMMITTEE. WE EXPECT HIM TO ASK FOR WESTERN
CONSENT TO WHAT WE NOW UNDERSTAND IS AFRICAN GROUP CHOICE
OF AMB BISHARA OF KUWAIT AS CHAIRMAN.

2. WESTERN FIVE WILL MEET AT USUN AT 10:45 FEB 27 TO
CONSOLIDATE POSITION. MISSION WILL AGAIN SUGGEST
POSSIBILITY TO FOUR OF SQUEEZING SOME NEGOTIATING
LEVERAGE OUT OF OUR CONSENT TO BISHARA IN ORDER TO PROMOTE
OUR VIEWS ON COMMITTEE PROCEDURES. OUR TENTATIVE VIEW IS
THAT FOUR WILL COUNSEL AGAINST THIS TACTIC AS
UNWORKABLE. THEY WILL PROBABLY SUGGEST, AS
UK ALREADY HAS, THAT FIVE AGREE TO BUREAU BUT DRAG OUR
FEET ON HOLDING OF FIRST SUBSTANTIVE MEETING OF COMMITTEE
UNTIL WE ARE SATISFIED WITH COMMITTEE PROCEDURES.
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MISSION SUGGESTS THAT SOME STRAIGHT TALK TO TROYANOVSKY
ON THIS SCORE WOULD BE APPROPRIATE ON THE 27TH.
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